

Modernisation is a continuous process which includes/involves, *inter-alia*, re-organisation of existing mines, introduction of modern technology and opening of new mines for enhancing production and productivity. The coal companies do not separately allocate resource for modernisation of coal mining operation from their plan outlay.

During the Mid-Term Appraisal of 9th Five Year Plan held in 1999, the Planning Commission had allocated a plan outlay of Rs. 12000.00 crores and Rs. 1665.32 crores to Coal India Limited and Singareni Collieries Company Limited respectively. To achieve the above said targets, the source of funding at the time of Mid-Term Appraisal of the 9th Five Year Plan was projected as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Company	I.E.B.R.	G.B.S.	Total Plan Outlay
Coal India Limited	11780.00	220.00	12000.00
Singareni Collieries Company Limited	1268.69	396.63	1665.32

I.E.B.R.—Internal Extra Budgetary Resources

G.B.S.— Gross Budgetary Support. This includes Net Budgetary Support (NBS) and External Aid routed through Budget (EAB).

Total quantity of coal produced and sold

4259. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of coal produced and sold during the last three years;

(b) the total profit of Mahanadi Coal Fields for the last three years;

(c) whether it is a fact that the quantum of profit is being reduced because of large quantity of good quality of coal being burnt; and

(d) what is the total quantity and the amount lost by Coal India for the unusual burning of quality coal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) The quantity of coal produced and despatched in the country for the last three years is as under:

(Figures in million tonnes)		
Year	Production	Despatch
1998-99	292.27	284.71
1999-2000	299.97	300.91
2000-2001 (Provisional)	309.74	313.56

(b) The profit of Mahanadi Coalfield for the last three years was as under:

(Rs. in crores)	
Year	Profit
1997-98	654.11
1998-99	601.31
1999-2000	607.65

(c) No, Sir.

(d) There has not been any loss of coal in Coal India Limited due to unusual burning of quality coal produced during the last three years.

Plantation work by MCF in Ranipark, Talcher, Orissa

4260. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Mahanadi Coal Fields has agreed for the plantation of the entire area of Ranipark in Talcher of Orissa;